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ANNUAL REPORT

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RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

OF THE

TOWN OF SALEM, N. H.

FROM MARCH 3d. 1843, TO MARCH 4th. 1844.

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ANNUAL REPORT
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TOWN OF SALEM
AND WETTER
AT a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Salem, N. H. held the second Tuesday of March, 1843--John F. Tenney, Esq. F. W. Bailey, and John H. Thompson, Esq. were appointed a committee to audit the town accounts, for the then ensuing year, and make an "itemized" report at their next *Annual Meeting*.

ATTEST,

SILAS HALL, *Town Clerk.*

The Committee appointed by the Town of Salem, N. H. at its last Annual Meeting to Audit the accounts of the Selectmen, for the then ensuing year, have this day attended to that duty, and would respectfully submit, for the consideration of the town, the following itemised

REPORT.

We find the whole amount of money and other available funds received by the Selectmen to be as follows, viz :—

Whole amount of Taxes assessed for the year 1843	\$2601 33
Note against Silas Hall for unsettled Taxes of 1842	728 61
Note against John and F. S. Smith	137 97
Cash received of former Board of Selectmen	110 46
Money received from the Town of Holderness for the support of Kimball Hall	2 50
Cash received of Wm. Blake for old wagon	2 50
Cash received from the town of Wilmot for the support of John Rowe and family	78 35
Money rec'd from the Town of Manchester for support of John Haseltine and family	69 36
Also, from the Town of Hollis for support of Wm. Ferguson and family	42 57
Cash received of the County of Rockingham by David Messer, Esq. for support of County Paupers for 1842	222 75
Cash rec'd by David Messer of the County of Rockingham for the support of County Paupers for the year 1843	204 12
Literary money received from the State Treasurer	45 41
Amounting in all to the sum of	<u>\$4245 93</u>
For which Cash and Funds they have presented us the following Accounts, well kept and properly vouched.	

CASH PAID STATE AND COUNTY TAXES IN FULL.

Paid to John Atwood State Treasurer as per receipt June 5th 1844 in full	285 00
Also to Daniel Melcher, County Treasurer, as per Receipt	210 80
	<u>\$495 80</u>

PAID OUT ON ACCOUNT OF SCHOOLS.

Cash paid to John W. Austin, District No 1, for teaching, board and fuel	77 46
Literary money paid to said District	7 05
Paid to John J. Merrill Prudential Committee of District No. 2	28 33
Literary money to said District	2 63
Paid to Enoch Taylor Prudential Committee for District No. 3	33 50
Literary money	3 09
Paid to Thomas Duston Prudential Com. for District No. 4	65 44
Literary money	5 97
Paid Benj. Foster Prudential Committee for District No. 5	63 38
Literary money due said District	5 78
Paid Luke Hovey Prudential Committee for District No. 6	70 50
Literary money	6 42
Paid Isaac Emerson Prudential Committee for District No. 7.	53 96
Literary money	4 93

Paid Richard H. Russ Prudential Com. for District No. 8	51 28
Literary money	4 70
Paid Eliphalet Tenney Prudential Com. for District No. 9	52 91
Literary money	4 84
	<hr/> \$542 16

PAID OUT ON ACCOUNT OF ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cash paid John Glendennim for 32 ft. yellow pine Timber, (round.)	\$2 40
Paid to Asa Woodbury for damages of his lands, taken in straightening road near the schoolhouse in District No. 7	2 00
Paid Asa Tayler, for 562 ft. 2½ in. black oak Plank, at \$30 per thousand	16 86
For 3½ lbs Powder, 70 cts, use of drills, 50 cts	1 20
Paid Joseph Cross for repairing Highway, near his house	3 00
" Jno. Rowe & Jos. Cross, repairing road near Hall's Mill	8 00
" F. & M. Harstings for 85 ft. black oak Plank, 2½ cts per ft	2 12
7 ft. W. oak Timber, at \$4 per ton, 70 cts, surveying same 10	80
Moore's Bailey for 174 ft black oak Timber, at \$4.00 per ton	17 40
Samuel Cole, splitting Stone for Bridge	6 00
Nath'l Webster, " " "	3 33
D. Messer, boarding Cole & Webster while at work on bridge	3 00
Sam'l White, stone for Bridge near Rev. Joseph Snelling's	2 00
Wm. L. Russ, repairing Bridge near John McLaughlin's	2 12
Thomas Duston for 645 ft black oak Plank 2½ inches thick, at \$25 per M, two inch measure	20 15
Surveying same for Bridge near C. Pattee's	17
Tristram Kimball for 377 ft. oak Plank, at \$15.00 per M, for Bridge near Moses Hall's	5 65
Surveyor's fees for same	17
Tristram Kimball for 34 ft. white oak Timber at \$4 per ton	3 40
Alvah Hall for 407 ft. Plank at \$15 per M	6 10
110 ft. Timber, at \$10 per M,	1 10
Covering Stone for Bridges	1 25
Joseph Kimball for 385 ft. black oak Plank, at \$15 per M.	5 77
Surveying fees for the same	17
Nath'l Woodbury for 198 ft. Bridge Plank at 3 cts per ft.	5 94
J J Merrill for 2 rails and 4 posts for Bridge near town farm	50
Thos. H. Ewins for 3 lbs Powder 20 cts per lb	60
John Ewins for 4 lbs Powder	80
	<hr/> \$122 00

PAID ON NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY RECEIPTS.

Receipts returned by Silas Hall, Collector for the year 1841-2-3	101 86
Feb'y 21, 1844, receipts returned this day	3 24
	<hr/> \$105 10

ABATEMENT AND DISCOUNT OF TAXES.

Abatement of Richard E. Downing's taxes for the years 1841-2	2 60
" John Haseltine, for 1842	1 80
" Nath'l Webster for 1842	1 80
" Samuel Clark for 1843	1 81
" John Dorman for "	1 81
" Nath'l Webster for 1843	1 81
Order to Asa Woodbury, being over taxed for interest money	1 20
Discount allowed on resident and non-resident taxes, for 1843	60 62
	<hr/> \$78 45

PAID OUT ON ACCOUNT OF ALMS-HOUSE.

Cash paid to Wm. Blake being the balance due him for his services on Town-farm in 1842,	\$15 63
Paid Obadiah Duston for one Cow and Calf,	16 00
Nathaniel Woodbury for 3 days work in Haying,	1 61
Sawing 285 ft. Boards 82 do. 264 Plank, 94	1 76
John R. Rowell for 4 days work on Farm, at 75cts per day,	3 00
Fanny & Mary Hastings for 1008 feet of Pine Boards,	10 08
Surveying the same, 25	25
<i>Paid Thomas H. Ewins for Supplies for Farm as follows, viz.</i>	
1 lb. Y. H. Tea, 65 10 lbs Coffee, 1 00	1 65
Feb. 28th 1843. 50 lbs Dry Fish, 1 50 Rope, 12½	1 63
1 gall. Lamp Oil, 1 00 4 galls. Molasses, 1 00 8 lbs. Nails, 48	2 48
Cotton Yarn. 10 1 lb. Y. H. Tea, 65 12 Skeins Thread 8	83
1 gall. Lamp Oil, 1 00 4 galls. Molasses, 1 00 Camphor. 12½	2 12
2 doz. Crackers, 34	34
June 15th. ½ quire Paper, 10 4 galls. Molasses, 1 00	1 10
1 lb. Powder, 20 1 lb. Saleratus, 7	27
John J. Merrill for work in Haying by Son 12 days at 50 cts day, 6	00
1 day in harvesting Grain by self,	1 00
Benj. Merrill Jr. in part for his services on Farm,	12 00
Do. in part for services on Farm,	38 00
David Messer for 110 lbs. Beef, at 4 cts. per lb.	4 40
Do. 53 lbs. Salt Pork at 9 cts per lb.	4 77
John R. Rowell for 7 days work in laying Wall on Town Farm, at 75cts per day,	5 25
March 19th. Doct. J. H. Merrill for 5 visits and Medicine to Mr. Woodward, 75	3 75
Also 3 visits and Medicine to Widow Harris,	2 25
Visit and Medicine to Mr. Corliss and Miss Jones,	75
Extracting tooth for Miss Campbell,	25
Feb. 9th 1844. Medicine sent by Mr. Merrill to farm in full,	25
John J. Merrill, Jr., for 36 ft. black oak timber	2 25
Benj. Merrill Jr. in full for his and his wife's services at the Alms House up to Feb. 1st 1844,	33 34
E. C Gordon for Horse Shoeing, 77 setting Tire, 1 00	1 77
6 pair hinges for barb,	1 00
<i>Doct. Luther Emerson, his bill as follows viz.</i>	
March 14th 1843. 5 visits and Medicine to Mr. Corliss, at 75	3 75
2 do. to Henry Sargent, 75 1 50 1 do. to Mr. Woodward, 75	2 25
Medicine for poor at the Farm at different times,	1 37
Israel Woodbury Jr. for ½ day Mason work,	1 12
James M. Haynes for 55½ lbs. Pork &c.	4 43
<i>Andrew Bryant in "full satisfaction" for the following particular Bill as follows viz.</i>	
March 20. To 1 visit to a sick Ox. 25 do. altering a large Hog, 25	50
1 visit and Medicine to a Hog, 25 use of a large Plough 1 day, 50	75
Altering pigs, &c. 25 Visit to a Sick Cow, 25	50
Another visit to the old Cow, 25 use of a Bull for 3 Cows, 75	100
<i>The following Bills were bought and paid for in cash by Selectmen.</i>	
<i>Paid Levi Taylor for the following goods, viz.</i>	
1 bbl. Ohio Flour, 500 1 lb. Y. H. Tea, 65	5 65
8 yds Drilling, 8cts per yd. 64 Crackers, 22cts	85
13 lbs. H. B. Sugar, 100 6 lbs. 10d Nails, 33	1 33
1 Cake Soap, 6 4 lbs. Saleratus 7½, 30 2 lbs. Ginger 9½	19 55
1 Bag 12 75 lbs Cod Fish 2½cts per lb. 198 15 lbs Sugar, 100	3 10
12 lbs Coffee, 100 2 lbs Y. H. Tea, 120 13½ do. Coffee, 113	3 33
4 galls. Molasses, 92 Starch 5c, 2 lbs Y. H. Tea 1 20	2 17
Paid James M. Bailey for 12 lbs. Sugar,	1 00
4 lbs Tobacco, 50 Leonard Wilson for fixing up, 75	1 25

E. W. Bartlett, for 100 lbs. Codfish,	3	13
S. Sawyer for 100 lbs. Fish,	3	00
Currier & Bartlett, 2 lbs. Y. H. Tea,	1	20
$\frac{1}{2}$ lb. Pepper, 9 2 Bushels Salt, 80		89
John Dow for 36 yds. Sheeting 3 06 11 gals. Molasses, 2 75	5	81
13 lbs. Sugar, 1 00 Eben'r Porter for 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards Sax Doe Skin,	1	72
9 yds. Calico 9cts per yard,		81
J. A. & G. Appleton, for 1 crank churn	2	50
Robert Taylor, 1 cow and calf, 14 00 D. Messer soap grease 60	14	60
Expense to Manchester with Kimball Hall,		50
1 doz crackers of Rufus Kimball		17
N. B. It will be seen by the foregoing that the sum of <i>fifty four dol-</i> <i>lars and sixty cents</i> , was paid out of the cash funds of the Selectmen, for which they have drawn no orders on the collector.		

Paid Benjamin Merrill, Jr, the following Bill, viz :

April 15, 1843, Samuel Huse for coffin for town pauper	1	25
May 4, Mrs. Merrill 4 bush oats 1,33, Levi Taylor, 1 pail, 25,	1	58
" 9 Phineas Merrill, mending shoes		18
" 11 Mrs Ewins for dye stuff		08
" 20 Mr Cash 27 shad 2,78, May 23, G. Whittier ox yoke 1,28	4	33
" 27 John R. Rowell, 5 bush oats 35 per bush	1	75
" 30 Gilman Whittier, labor		25
June 2 Carleton & Cockran, 2 Augers		95
" 2 Driving home cow		25
" 20 Mrs. Ewins, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb snuff 15, Mr. Chase, 19 lbs Codfish 57		72
July 1, J. J. Merrill, labor 50, July 18 Mrs Ewins $\frac{1}{2}$ lb snuff 15		65
" 24 Nath'l Woodbury, 1 day cradling rye	1	50
Aug 22 Jonathan Stickney 10 lbs Beef		40
Sept 9 Rufus Kimball, 1 axe handle, and 1 bottle of ink		17
" 20 David Messer, 17 lbs beef		50
" 28 Thomas Lancaster, 1 sickle		37
Oct 2 Benj. Kimball, 13 lbs beef 39, Oct 4, G. Whittier, labor 50,		89
" 5 Mrs. Ewins, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb snuff and 1 oz Indigo		30
" 6 Mr. Putnam, $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl broken bread	1	00
" 23 Darius Messer, 24 lbs beef		72
Nov 2 J. Crowell, 1 hat, 50, E. Webster, boot between cows 1,00,	1	50
" 2 Mrs Ewins, 1 quilt		50
Nov. 24, 1843. Warren Webster, for 3 days work	1	50
Dec. 8, " John Wheeler, labor		50
" 11 " Wm. Jones, digging grave	1	00
" 28 " J. J. Merrill, labor on farm		73
Jan. 3 1844 Oliver Russ, mason work		50
" 3 " Thomas H. Ewins, cutting rye last July	1	50
" 3 " Washington Woodbury, making coffin	1	00
" 3 " Mr. Cash, 1 wood tray		33
Feb. 16 " Mrs Ewins, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb snuff		15
" 16 " Two Sawyers, batting and cloth	1	20
" 16 " T. H. Ewins, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ yds. calico 58, 1 lock 25,		83
2 qts oil 50, 12 lbs coffee, 1,00, 12 lbs sugar 1,00	2	50
2 lbs saleratus, 14, 1 box pills, 25 wick yarn 8, muslin 27		74
2 doz screws 12, 2 yds calico 20, 3 brooms 40,		72
2 lbs saleratus 16, 4 lbs raisins 26 thread and paper 25		67
Feb. 17, 1844, David Duston for 11 cwt hay \$5 $\frac{1}{2}$ per ton	3	02
" " " D. W. Currier, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs coffee 1,00, 13 lbs sugar 1,00	2	00
" " " Thomas D. Lancaster, making and repairing shoes	1	54
" " " Currier, & Bartlett, 1 bbl flour	5	12
" " " 4 bush salt 1,60, 1 key 40, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush fine salt 83	2	43
" " " Warren Haseltine, for 4 galls Molasses		96
" " " 12 lbs tobacco 1,50, Webster & Kelly, 1 pr shoes, 1,25	2	75

J. R. Wheeler 1 pr shoes 1,25, Smith & Palmer carding wool 45	1 70
Sam'l Sawyer, grass seed, 5,50, 20 lbs nails, 1,10,	6 60
11 yds drill 1,54, doz buttons, 12, 1 rake 25	1 91
James W. Bailey, 1 lb Y. H. tea 70, 1 clothes line 10,	80
3 lbs tobacco 38, 6 yds sheeting 54, garden seeds 12, 2 lbs tea 1,40	2 44
$\frac{1}{2}$ lbs snuff 16, 1 lb ginger 12, lash 6, 5 lbs tobacco 25,	59
1 lb spice 20, 1 qr nutmegs, 33, 2 lbs tobacco 63,	1 16
4 galls molasses 1,00, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb thread 25, cotton 10, $1\frac{1}{4}$ yds cloth 20	1 55
1 basket 25, 2 doz buttons 20, 4 galls molasses 92	1 37
Moore's Bailey, 3 days labor self and 4 oxen and plough $2\frac{1}{2}$ days	6 50
Benj. Merrill, jr. 1 wash board 25, 1 bed cord 25, razor 50,	1 00
50 lbs fish 2,25, 2 lbs saleratus 25, 2 pieces tape 32, calico 56	3 38
	<u>\$326 71</u>

Paid William Bailey the following Bill of supplies.

Oct. 26 1843. For 11 lbs. Coffee 100 2 lbs. Y. H. Tea, 1 28	2 23
Nov. 7. 7 Brown Bake Pans 28 1 White Mug 9	37
1 Stone Pot, 12 6 yds, Flannel, 1 62	1 74
Nov. 18. 2 qts. Oil, 50 1 Bag Salt 90 3 lbs Y. H. Tea 1 68	3 08
2 balls Wick 12 2 boxes Raisins, 20 2 qts. Oil. 50 cts	82
Jan 24th 1844. 2 lbs Y. H. Tea 1 17 Wash Bowl 25	1 42
16 yds Calico, 7 cts per yard,	1 12
	<u>\$337 54</u>

Deduct Mr. Merrill's Bill from above 80 66

Leaving the whole amount expended for labor and supplies at the Alms House	\$256 88
Interest on Stock Farm and tools would swell the amonnt,	200 00
	<u>\$456 88</u>

The following Bill of Produce labor cash &c. is placed to the credit of the Town by Mr. Merrill, the Overseer of the Alms House, which it will be seen, will fully balance the Bill he has charged the town for supplies purchased by himself during the time he has had the charge of that establishment.

May 4th 1843. By cash rec'd of D. Messer for 1 Calf and 2 Skins	3 25
8th Of the town of Holderness for taking R. Hall to Manchester,	2 90
John Woodman for 1 Cow Hide,	2 12
June 7. Darius Messer for two Calves	4 00
Aug. 19. John F. Tenney for labor,	50
Sept. 9th. T. Lancaster, House use.	54
Oct. 24th. Thomas Lancaster for 1 Steer,	8 00
Nov. 4th. Andrew Bryant, use of waggon,	18
24th. T. H. Ewins, 1 Shoat,	4 50
Nov. 25th 1843. A. Parker for Hide	2 80
Dec. 26th. Rufus Slocomb for 24 Bushel Oats	8 88
John Page for labour, 50 John Taylor, sig, 175	2 25
D. D. Bailey, 25 feet Joist,	25
Moore's Bailey for 8 Bushel Potatoes,	1 33
32 ft. Black Oak Timber, 3 20 drawing 1 load Plank, 1 75,	4 95
75 old Bricks 15 20 ft. Maple Joist 20	35
Labor on Sled 30 Drawing Wood 7 06	7 36
James W. Bailey for $25\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. Butter 3 21 for Eggs 1 20	4 41
Pension Money received from Paupers,	15 00
Samuel Sawyer for Butter,	7 09
	<u>\$80 66</u>

PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT OF POOR FROM FARM.

March 27th 1843. Paid Rufus Kimball for boarding Mr. Wood- ward and Wife one week,	1 00
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<i>April 6th.</i>	John W. Patridge for nursing Rowe and family,	13 50
<i>Do. 2d.</i>	Simeon M. Chase for boarding S. Chase from Sept. 17 1842 to April 2d 1843, 28 weeks at 50cts per week,	14 00
<i>June 29th.</i>	Paid Dexter K. Cole, for Boarding and Nursing Mary Sellers, and funeral expenses	7 00
<i>Aug. 15th.</i>	Paid Abner Gage for the support of Nancy Parker, from Sept. 1st. 1842 to Sept. 1st. 1843, in full for one year	19 50
<i>Jan. 28th. 1844.</i>	Paid Seth Emerson for supporting Merriam Mer- rill from Jan. 28th 1843 to Jan. 28th 1844.	19 50
	Paid John W. Patridge for 14 days service in taking care of John Rowe,	10 50
<i>July 14th.</i>	Paid Luther Emerson six visits, and Aug. 5th, Medi- cine for Nathaniel Austin,	5 15
		<hr/> \$90 15

The above Bill, have all been paid by orders on Collector—while the following Bills were paid out of the Cash funds of the Selectmen.

<i>March 27th, 1843.</i>	Paid James M. Haynes the following bill of goods, for John Haseltine's family.	
	4 yards calico 14 c per yd 56, 5 yds blech'd sheeting 14c yd 70	1 26
	1 pr. shoes 62, 6½ lbs butter, 14½ c lb 94, 4 lbs sugar, 32	1 88
	½ lb Y. H. Tea, 38, 4½ lbs butter 63, ½ lb tea 38	1 39
<i>March 27 1843.</i>	Dr L. Emerson visit and medicine to J Haseltine,	1 00
"	28 Joshua Knight digging grave for Haseltine	2 00
"	28 Washington Woodbury making Haseltine's coffin	2 50
<i>April 6</i>	Dr. J. H. Merrill, 2 visits and medicine to J. Haseltine	2 25
"	29 Enoch Bodwell taking charge of Haseltine's family twenty days, at 75 c per day	15 00
	S Sawyer for 8 yds drilling, 1,00, calico 75, 8 yds sheeting 72	2 47
	Boarding widow Haseltine and 4 children, 4 weeks, at \$2 per w.	8 00
<i>April 7.</i>	Paid D. K. Cole for taking care of Haseltine and family while sick with the SMALL POX	8 00
	House rent 1,75, load wood 2,25, ½bush meal 40, 33 lbs pork 2,64	7 04
	½ Peck beans 25, 2 qts. soap 7, paid Dr. Huse 1,00, 4 lbs sugar 32	1 64
	8½ lbs veal 53, meal 25, 11 lbs pork 99, 2 qts oil 38,	2 15
	2 qts molasses 12, ½lb tea 38, bush. rye 90, 1 gall molasses 25	1 65
	½ lb tea 38, matches 2, 3 lbs sugar 24, 4½ lbs bar soap 43, raisins 6	1 13
<i>March 23, 1843.</i>	Jesse Emerson, support of Furgerson family, as follows :	
	16 lbs beef 80, ½ bush meal 45, 1 do potatoes 34, 17 1-2 flour 68	2 27
	Leather and mending boots 60, meal 83, 14 lbs flour 50	1 93
	Gall molasses 28, 1 lb tea, 80, 4 lbs butter 56,	1 64
	12 lbs pork 1,08, 4 lbs sugar 32, 2 qts oil 50, 20 lbs fish 50	2 40
	½ lb tea 40, 4 qts salt 16, 2 lbs coffee 26, 2 qts beans 12	94
	5 lbs rice 25, 1 lb saleratus 8, crackers 25, cash 25	83
	Molasses 28, spice 14, bush meal 83, flour 1,00, sugar 8, oil 25	2 58
	2 qts molasses 14, cheese 25, services 2 50, wood 6,25, rent 3,00	12 14
	Dr. Emerson, medicine and attendance on Furgerson	2 00
	Dr. J. H. Merrill do do do family	2 00
	D. Messer, cash paid Parker Smith serving notice town of Hollis	3 84
<i>Feb 10, 1844.</i>	D Messer, expense to court on county pauper cases	5 20
	Dr. J. H. Merrill, 25 visits & med, to J Rowe's family, \$1 a visit	25 00
	Vaccinating 4 persons	1 00

Made from March 1st to April 28, 1843

	Dr. Luther Emerson, med. and attendance in J. Rowe's family	3 83
	J. Emerson, taking care of J. Rowe and family, 6 days, 3 nights	10 00
<i>May 5, 1843,</i>	paid James McGragor for cleansing the several houses where they had had the small pox	15 00

N. A. Davis for serving notice on town of Wilmot in case of	
John Rowe	4 54
Moore's Bailey expense to Wilmot	3 70
	<hr/> \$250 35

One Hundred and Eighty Four Dollars and twenty cents of the above sum was paid out for the sickness and support of poor families belonging to other towns, the whole of which has been properly refunded by the several towns where they were justly chargeable—the remaining \$66 15 properly belongs to our own poor account.

PAID OUT ON ACCOUNT OF CONTINGENCIES.

March 21st 1843. John Dow for 9 yds. Cotton Velvet,	4 50
Do. 10 yds. Black Ribbon 63 6 skeins sewing Silk, 25	88
A. W. Bailey making Pall Cloth,	1 00
Bixby & Whitney for 1 Ledger for use of town,	2 50
	<hr/> \$8 88

The above was paid from the cash funds of the Selectmen. The following by orders on Collector.

Aug. 19th. Paid John Emerson, $\frac{1}{2}$ day with Selectmen on Pauper Cases,	50
Use of Horse and Waggon same time,	32
Sept. 1843 Andrew Bryant, Surveying,	1 50
Joshua Knight for Pad Lock, &c. for Hearse House,	38
Taking care of the Hearse, &c.	62
Oct. 30th. Alvah Hall, Drawing Stone for Burying Ground Wall,	2 00
Nov. 3d. 1 day with Oxen and Cart,	2 00
Do. 6th. 1 do do do	2 00
Do. 7th. 1 day, and Oxen and Cart $\frac{1}{3}$ of a day	1 75
Oct. 19th. Wm. S. Merrill, 19 days labor on Grave Yard Wall	19 00
Board 19 days while to work on said Wall	4 75
Nov. 7th. Paid Wm. Sargent for days work,	83
2 do on Pound, 2 00 2 Stone Posts do 75 board two days 50	3 25
Laying over and capping, the grave yard wall, from Hearse House to the north-east corner, being 16 rods, at \$2,62 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts pr Rod	42 00
Apr. 1st. David Messer, cash paid for books for town's use	2 46
Cash paid for board of Selectmen while taking Inventory	2 25
for quills and postage	34
Expenses to Exeter on County Pauper cases,	3 82
Caleb Morse, for taking care of the Town House,	3 00
Pad Lock and 5 Staples for Town House,	35
March 8th. W. E. P. Rogers for Printing Town Report for the year 1842,	11 00
July 10th. John W. Austin, for Hearse and Runners,	70 00
Jacob Emerson for going to Hampstead to take Depositions,	1 09
2 days service as Auditor,	2 00
March 2d. F W. Bailey, 3 days Auditing Town Accounts,	3 00
Journey to Haverhill to get Report Printed,	1 00
Dec. 1st 1842 to March 11th 1843. Corning & Huse 54 Meals for Selectmen,	13 50
Use of Hall 14 1-2 days	7 25
March 2d. John Kelly, 3 days with the Auditors,	3 00
11. 1 day examining check list and other business,	1 00
14. 1-2 day correcting check list, 50 Postage 6	56
March 2d. John Emerson 3 days with Auditors,	3 00

<i>March 11.</i>	1 day in receiving qualifications of voters	1 00
14.	1-2 day correcting check list,	50
<i>March 2d.</i>	Moses Bailey 2 days services with Auditors,	2 00
14.	1-2 day correcting checklist, 50 stationary, 10	60
<i>March 11th.</i>	John F. Tenney, taking affidavits of Abner Gage,	
	Nancy Parker and Richard Kimball,	1 00
	Jonathan Massey, giving Deposition on pauper cases,	1 00
	John F. Tenney, taking the Depositions of Stephen Duston, Mary	
	Duston, Luther Emerson, Abner Gage, and Benj. Merrill jr.	
	on county pauper cases,	1 50
<i>March 14th 1843.</i>	Corning and Huse, 3 Meals for Moderator of	
	Town Meeting,	75
	12 meals for Selectmen 25,	3 00
<i>April 13th.</i>	47 do 20	9 40
<i>Nov. 25th.</i>	Samuel Richardson 30 meals for Selectmen, 20	6 00
	Use of Hall in full to March 12 1844	6 00
	2 Meals for Collector, do	40
<i>Feb. 29th 1844.</i>	Paid F. W. Bailey, services as superintending	
	School Committee.	4 00
		<u>\$255 46</u>

PAID OUT ON DEMANDS AGAINST THE TOWN AND TO SOLDIERS.

<i>Sept. 8th, 1843.</i>	Cash paid by Selectmen to David Lowd	\$222 75
<i>Feb. 26, 1844.</i>	" to Lowd in full of his demand	212 35
<i>July 12, 1843.</i>	" to the estate of John Corliss being in-	
	terest in full on his note	37 50

The above was paid out of the cash funds of the Town—the following by orders drawn on the Collector :

<i>Sept. 12, 1843.</i>	Paid Soldiers on muster day by Selectmen	57 00
<i>Feb. 24, 1844.</i>	Cash paid by Collector to <i>Soldiers</i> for trying to	
	do a little <i>military duty</i>	85 00
<i>Aug. 29, 1843.</i>	Cash to Mrs. Alvah Bailey on her note	20 00
<i>Feb. 6, 1844.</i>	Paid James Bell, Esq. for counsel given the town	
	in 1836-7 in relation to the Londonderry turnpike road	33 00
		<u>\$667 60</u>

PAID ON ORDERS DRAWN BY FORMER BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

Bills reported in the REPORT of 1843, but orders not returned until the present year.

Order to John Emerson for services as Selectman in part for 1842	62 98
Order to Jacob Emerson in full for class paper in School Dist.	
No. 7, for 1842	38 35
Order to Moores Bailey—balance for his services as Select-	
man for 1842	28 76
Order to J. J. Merrill in full for class paper in District No. 2.	
for 1842	23 85
Order to Asa Kelly abatement of taxes	1 80
Order to Samuel Woodbury do. do.	1 20
	<u>\$156 94</u>

PAID TO SILAS HALL COLLECTOR & TOWN CLERK.

Mar. 17, 1843.	One day recording proceedings of the Town at their Annual Meeting	1 00
18.	" ½ day completing said record	50
June 21	" 1 day preparing book and recording taxes	1 00
24	" 3 days service and taxes	3 00
July 1	" Notifying Juror meeting	75
15	" " Jurors and making returns	50
Dec. 19	" Part of a day recording return of Selectmen in relation to road	37
23	" Recording proceedings of Town Meeting Dec. 22	25
Jan. 18 1844.	Recording the division of School Districts, 2 days	2 00
20	" Notifying Juror meeting	1 00
30	" Making record and return of Juror meeting and notification of Jurors	75
	Postage paid on venier	12
	Cash paid for the "Town Officer"	1 00
Feb. 19	Cash paid B. B. Gordon for paying the State tax	22
26th.	For services in Collecting Taxes Assessed in the year 1843, Amounting to 2601 33 at 2 per cent	52 02
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In full to date		\$64 48

PAID DAVID MESSER FOR SERVICES AS SELECTMAN

March 20, 1843.	To 1-2 day giving notice for Overseer of Poor	50
Do. 27.	To 1-2 day contracting with overseer of Poor Farm,	50
	Horse and Sleigh to the Meeting-house twice,	50
April 1st.	1 day at the Poor Farm and other town business,	1 00
	8th 4 days taking Invoice,	4 00
	Horse and Sleigh 3 days taking Invoice,	3 00
10th.	1 day taking Invoice and other town business,	1 00
13th.	1 do preparing Books for Invoice and Taxes,	1 00
22d.	7 days making and recording taxes, and notifying towns on Pauper cases,	7 00
28th.	3 days attending to Small Pox Cases, &c.	3 00
May 1st.	1 day doing town business,	1 00
5.	1 do at Poor Farm and other town affairs,	1 00
18.	1-2 do making notice to the town of Wilmot,	50
	Horse and Waggon to Meeting-house twice,	50
June 9th.	1-2 day attending to pauper cases,	50
10th.	1 do making notice and other town matters,	1 00
14th.	1 day Settling with Selectmen of Wilmot,	1 00
	Going to Derry and Horse and Waggon,	1 00
15.	1 day to get notice served on the town of Hollis,	1 00
	Horse and Carriage to Hudson,	1 00
16.	1-2 day viewing road near Asa Taylor's,	50
	Horse and carriage to Asa Taylor's	50
Aug. 15th.	1 day drawing orders,	1 00
19.	1-2 do giving orders and other town business.	50
28th.	3 days at Court, Exeter on County Pauper case,	3 00
	Horse and Carriage to Haverhill and other places,	1 00
Sept. 2	1-2 day giving orders and contracting for burying ground Wall,	50
9th.	½ day transacting town business,	50
14th.	1 do to Pelham to pay Soldiers on muster day,	1 00
30th.	1-2 day viewing road near Joseph Thom's,	50
Oct 28th.	1 do on road near Joseph Thom's and giving orders,	1 00

Nov. 4th.	1-2 day giving orders and order of notice on petition,	50
25th.	1 day widening and straitning road near School House in District No. 7	1 00
28th.	1-2 day giving orders and other town business,	50
Dec. 22d.	1-2 do. regulating Juror Boxes and drawing Orders,	50
Jan. 4th 1844.	4 do Districting the town into 9 School Districts,	4 00
29th.	1-2 day drawing orders and other town business,	50
Feb. 2d.	1 do preparing for Court on County Pauper cases,	1 00
9th.	4 do at Court Portsmouth on County Pauper cases,	4 00
	Horse and sleigh to Haverhill and to Luke Hovey's,	1 00
10th.	1 day making School House tax and giving town orders,	1 00
15-16th.	2 days making School House Taxes and giving orders	2 00
Feb. 20th.	1 day appraising property at Alms House,	1 00
21st.	1 do settling with overseers of poor and giving orders,	1 00
23d.	1 do settling with Collector and giving orders,	1 00
24th.	1 do making Check List and Warrant for Town Meeting	1 00
	Horse and Sleigh to Meeting-house twice,	50
26th.	1 day settling with Collector and giving orders,	1 00
		<hr/> \$61 50

Received Payment by Order.

DAVID MESSER.

PAID MOORES BAILEY SERVICES AND SELECTMAN,

March 20, 1843.	½ day preparing notice for man on Town Farm	50
" "	Cash paid for paper	25
" 27	½ day contracting with Superintendant of Alms-house	50
April 1,	1 day at Alms House, and taking invoice	1 00
" 1	Postage and Paper	34
" 8	4 days taking invoice	4 00
	Horse and Sleigh, 2 days taking invoice	2 00
" 10	1 day at Alms-house, and writing letters	1 00
" 18	6 days fixing books for invoice &c	6 00
" 28	6 days making and recording taxes, Surveyors List, School Papers, &c	6 00
" 29	½ day to Derry to obtain a man to attend to Small Pox Horse and Waggon to Derry	50 50
May 5	1 day at Alms-house and making returns to State and County Treasurers	1 00
" 18	½ day preparing notices for the town of Wilmot	50
" 22	4 days at Wilmot on John Rowe's case	4 00
	Horse and Waggon 65 miles	5 40
June 10	1 day drawing orders & preparing notice for town of Hollis	1 00
" 11	1 day Boards and Cows for Town Farm	1 00
" 14	½ day settling with Selectmen of Wilmot	50
Aug 5	1 day giving orders &c.	1 00
" 17	½ day settling with Selectmen of Hollis Horse and Waggon 6 miles	50 48
" 19	½ day preparing bills for County Paupers	50
Sept 2	½ day selling the building of Grave Yard Wall &c.	50
" 9	½ day making contract for do do do do	50
" 14	1 day to Pelham to pay Soldiers	1 00
" 16	½ day to Haverhill to purchase goods for Alms-house	50
" 30	½ day on Road Petitioned for by F. S. Smith and others	50
Oct 28	½ day on do do by Jos. Thorn and others	50
Nov 30	½ day giving orders &c	50
" 4	½ day do do and other business	50

" 25	1 day on Road petitioned for by Thorn and others	1 00
" 28	½ day examining Grave Yard Wall and other business	50
Dec 16	1 day to Windham on account of Samuel Bailey	1 00
	Horse and Sleigh and expenses	1 38
" 22	½ day regulating Juror Boxes and giving orders	50
Jan 4, 1844	3 days dividing the town into School Districts	3 00
" 29	½ day giving orders &c	50
Feb 2	1 day making out County Pauper Bills	1 00
" 10	1 day making and recording School House Taxes for Districts No 1 and 8	1 00
	2 days making and recording Taxes	2 00
" 20	1 day taking account of property at Alms-house	1 00
" 21	Giving orders &c	1 00
" 23	1 day giving orders and other business	1 00
" 24	Making Check List, &c	1 00
Feb 26	1 day settling with Collector and other business	1 00
	Received Payment by order	\$59 85
	Signed MOORES BAILEY.	

PAID OBADIAH DUSTON SERVICES AS SELECTMAN.

March 20th 1843.	To 1-2 day giving notice for overseer of Poor,	50
27th.	1-2 do contracting with overseers of Poor Farm,	50
April 1st.	1 day to the Poor Farm and other business,	1 00
10th.	4 do taking valuation,	4 00
11th.	1 do to Exeter to examine Bell's account,	75
13th.	1 do preparing Books to take Invoice,	1 00
22d.	7 days making and recording taxes,	7 00
28th.	3 do attending to Small Pox cases &c.	3 00
May 5th.	2 do at the Poor Farm, writing letters, &c.	2 00
June 10th.	1 day making Notices, and other town business,	1 00
Aug. 15th.	1 do drawing orders,	1 00
19th.	1-2 do fixing County Pauper papers and other business,	50
Sept. 2d.	1-2 day giving orders and contracting for building Wall,	50
9th.	1-2 do drawing orders and other town business,	50
14th.	1 do to Pelham to pay Soldiers,	1 00
30th.	1-2 do viewing Joseph Thom's road,	50
Oct. 30th.	1 do on road petitioned for by F. S. Smith,	1 00
Nov. 4th.	1-2 giving Orders and drawing Notices,	50
25th.	1 day laying out road near School-house No. 7	1 00
28th.	1-2 do giving Orders, &c.	50
Dec. 22d.	1-2 do regulating Juror Boxes,	50
Jan. 4th. 1844.	3 days dividing the town into School Districts,	3 00
29th.	1-2 day drawings Orders, &c.	50
Feb. 2d.	1 do regulating County Pauper cases,	1 00
10th.	1 day drawing Orders &c.	1 00
16th.	2 do making and recording Taxes for School Districts No. 1 and 8	2 00
20th.	1 day appraising Property on Town Farm,	1 00
21st.	1 do settling with Superintendant of Farm,	1 00
23d.	1 do settling with Collector and giving Orders,	1 00
24th.	1 do making Check List and Warrant for Town Meeting	1 00
26th.	1 do settling with Collectors and drawing orders	1 00
	Cash for Stationary and postage,	16
	Use of Horse and Waggon, and Sleigh, to the Meeting-house	
	25 trips,	2 00
		<hr/> \$42 91

Signed,

OBADIAH DUSTON.

We find the out-standing debts against the Town as follows.

May 17th 1843. Note to Mrs. Abigail B. Corliss and Interest,	653 00
6th, 1839. Note and Interest due Mrs. Abiah Bailey	613 55
Demands supposed to exist against the Town,	200 00
	<u>\$1466 55</u>

DEMANDS DUE THE TOWN.

Note and Interest against F. G. & John Smith,	147 00
Account against Edward Cook for Hears Harness,	4 00
Note against Silas Hall for uncollected Taxes,	919 05
Cash in Selectmen's hands,	34 43
	<u>\$1104 48</u>
Leaving the balance against the town of,	\$362 07

N. B. The Town has a demand against the Methuen Manufacturing Company of something like 18 or \$20, for damages done to the roads and the carrying away of a small Bridge by the breaking away of their Dam at Policy Pond, and the consequent loss of their own "Deposits" which is not included above.

RECAPITULATION.

Amount of State and County Taxes,	\$495 80
Do. Schools and Literary Money,	542 16
Roads and Bridges.	122 00
Non-Resident Highway Receipts,	105 10
Abatement and Discount on Taxes,	73 45
Alms House Expenditures,	256 88
Expenses of Poor from the Farm	250 35
Contingent Expenses	255 46
Demands paid against the Town,	667 60
Old Order's Redeemed,	156 94
Collector and Town Clerk's Bill,	64 48
Selectmen's Bill of Services,	164 26
Silas Hall's note for uncollected Taxes,	919 05
Note against John and F. S. Smith,	137 97
Cash in Selectmen's hands,	34 43
	<u>\$4245 93</u>

Thus it will be seen that the whole amount of funds received by the Selectmen have been fully and properly accounted for.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK ON TOWN FARM.

Feb. 20 1844. Horse 75 00	1 Yoke Oxen 70 00	145 00
7 Cows 110 00	4 Shoats 28 00	11 Fowls 2 75
		<u>\$285 75</u>

The Selectmen make the following Appraisal of Produce on hand at the Alms House.

10 Tons English Hay, at 10 00	100 00
Rye traw and Corn Fodder,	7 50

14 Bushels Rye 11 67	1 1-4 do. Beans 2 00	13 67
150 lbs. Ham 13 50	10 lbs. Tallow 70	14 20
9 do. Candles 1 12	1 1-2 bush. fine Salt 75	1 87
100 do Flour 2 75	380 lbs. Salt Pork 3420	36 95
125 do. Beef 6 25	74 lbs. Lard 6 66	12 91
54 bush. Corn 40 50	20 bush. Oats 6 67	47 17
16 lbs. dried Apples 1 00	115 lbs. Butter 16 10	17 10
50 do, Dry Fish, 1 50	1 bbl. Vinegar 3 50	5 00
1 1/4 bbls. Cider 2 50.	277 lbs. Cheese 23 16	24 66
2 do. Soap 8 00	4 bush. Onions 2 00	10 00
Garden Sauce 2 00	125 bush. Potatoes 31 25	33 25
12 lbs. Coffee, and 1 lb. Y. H. Tea 1 58		1 58
7 galls. Molasses and Kegs 2 64	12 lbs. Sugar 100	3 64
		<hr/> \$329 50

TOOLS ON TOWN FARM.

3 ploughs 10 00	3 Hay Forks 1 00	2 yokes 3 00	6 Rakes 1 00	15 00
1 Horse Waggon 35 00	1 Wheel Barrow 3 00			38 00
1 Manure Fork 1 00	2 Shovels 2 00	6 Meal Bags 1 00		4 00
1 Cultivator 4 00	1 Harrow 4 00	1 Dragg 1 00	1 Ox Cart 20\$	29 00
Joists and Timber 2 75	1 Bush Scythe 1 00			3 75
1 Sleigh and Harness 20 00	3 draft Chains, 3 00			23 00
1 Grind Stone 3 50	2 Scythes and Sticks and Pickaxe 2 50			6 00
5 Hoes 1 25	1 Iron Bar 1 75	3 Axes 2 50	Beetle & Wedge 1 00	6 50
1 small Sled 40	1 Ox Sled 2 00	1 Cheese Press 50		2 90
1 Wood Saw and Horse 1 00	2 Whippetrees and Chains 1 00			2 00
1 Wrench 50	Cop and Pins 75	1 Manure Hook 75		2 00
2 Flails 75	7 Casks 6 00	3 Axe Helves 2	Augers, Sickles, 2 12	8 87
Part of an old Harness				1 00
				<hr/> \$141 02

FURNITURE & WEARING APPAREL AT ALMS HOUSE

12 Feather Beds 42 00.	11 under Beds 6 50	48 50
31 Coverlets and Quilts 22 00.	13 pairs Pillow Cases 2 50	24 50
5 Blankets 3 50.	16 pairs Sheets 12 50	16 00
10 Bedsteads and Ropes 4 75.	2 pr. Shovels and Tongs 75	5 50
Iron Ware 5 00.	2 Brass Kettles 11 00.	2 prs fire Dogs 1 00
Trammels and Hooks 50.	Grid Iron 60.	Coffee Mill 25
5 bro. Pots 50.	2 Cheese Hoops and Tongs 50.	set measures 50
4 Baskets 75.	12 Clothes Chests 6 00	6 75
2 Cheese Safes 3 00	3 Mirrors, 75.	3 75
2 Gold Necklaces 8 00.	5 Meat Barrels 2 50	10 50
3 Firkins 1 00.	9 dry Casks 1 80	2 80
14 Tin Pans 3 25.	2 Tin Cans and 1 Kettle 75	4 00
3 Pails 50.	3 Tubs 1 25.	1 Coffee Pot 25
2 Tea Pots 58.	3 Tin Dippers and 1 Wash Dish 67	1 25
20 Plates 75.	1 doz Cups and Saucers 50	1 25
23 spoons 50.	1 doz Knives and Forks 90	1 40
5 Bowls 40.	1 Strainer and Cullender 50	90
1 Salt Mortar 50.	2 Mugs 20.	1 Warming Pan 1 00
2 Stoves and Funnel 12 00.	2 Tin Lamps 25	12 25
2 Brass Candle Sticks 50.	11 brown Pans 1 10	1 60
4 Tables 3 50.	4 Chests 6 00.	23 Chairs 3 50
		13 00

2 pr Bellows 20.	1 Foot Stove 25	45
2 Churns 3 25.	1 Wash Board 25	3 50
1 Chair 50.	1 pr Steel Yards 50.	1 50
2 Bread Trays 1 50.	Wearing Apparel for 14 persons 140 00	141 50
		<hr/> \$324 45
Add Stock on Farm		285 75
" Produce		329 50
" Tools		141 02
Whole amount of available Property on Farm at this date		<hr/> \$1080 72

By the foregoing it will be readily observed that the debt against the town, amounting to Eleven Hundred and Sixty Eight Dollars and Thirty Six Cents, as reported by the Auditors of 1843, has been reduced to the sum of *Three Hundred and Sixty Two Dollars and Seven Cents*—and it is believed by the Committee that this is the *FULL* amount of the town's indebtedness at this time. The money the Selectmen have received from the County and other towns for the support of *County and other town's Paupers*, amounting to Six Hundred and Nineteen Dollars and Sixty Five Cents, have enabled them of course to reduce the debt of the town the same amount. It may also be said that the expenditures of the town, generally, have been less the present than they were the past year—owing principally to the fact that the town have been happily favored with a temporary suspension of Road contentions, which cost more than Six Hundred Dollars for the two preceeding years. We would further observe that the Selectmen express their entire approbation of the management at the Alms House. The Stock is in a thrifty and healthy condition. The Tools and Farming Utensils in good repair.—The Produce of the Farm well kept from waste and damage—and the Furniture, Crockery, Beds, Linen, &c, of the house, are kept with proper neatness and order.

The Committee, with the assistance of the Selectmen, have endeavored to give "items" agreeable to the vote of the town—but they feel that it would be proper to offer their apologies for the accidental omission of a few dates of certain charges, which it is believed to be of the most important omission in the Catalogue of "ITEMS."

All of which is respectfully submitted by

JOHN F. TENNEY, }
FRED'K W. BAILEY, } *Auditors.*